

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A supply item for data bearing identification or financial document production equipment, comprising:

a supply cylinder having first and second ends, the first end defining an opening having a first geometry;

a take-up cylinder having first and second ends, the first end of the take-up cylinder defining an opening having a second geometry, the second geometry is different than the first geometry;

a web material wound onto the supply cylinder, the web material including a take-up end that is attachable to the take-up cylinder.

2. (Original) The supply item of claim 1, wherein the opening in the first end of the supply cylinder defines a first area, and the opening in the first end of the take-up cylinder defines a second area, and the second area is less than the first area.

3. (Original) The supply item of claim 1, wherein the web material comprises a print ribbon.

4. (Original) The supply item of claim 3, wherein the print ribbon is a multi-color print ribbon.

5. (Original) The supply item of claim 1, wherein the web material comprises one of cleaning ribbon, holographic overlay, and laminate material.

6. (Original) The supply item of claim 1, wherein the second end of the supply cylinder defines an opening having a third area, and the second end of the take-up cylinder

defines an opening having a fourth area, and the third area is substantially equal to the fourth area.

7. (Original) The supply item of claim 2, wherein the first end of the take-up cylinder is closed by a wall, and the second geometry is defined in the wall.

8. (Original) The supply item of claim 7, wherein the wall comprises a cap that is attached to the take-up cylinder at the first end thereof.

9. (Original) The supply item of claim 2, wherein the first end of the supply cylinder is closed by a wall, and the first geometry is defined in the wall.

10. (Original) The supply item of claim 9, wherein the wall comprises a cap that is attached to the supply cylinder at the first end thereof.

11. (Original) A carrier for a supply item used in data bearing identification or financial document production equipment, comprising:

a handle portion having first and second opposite end regions;

a supply spindle rotatably mounted to the handle portion at the first end region for rotation about a first rotation axis, the supply spindle having a first end adjacent the handle portion and a second end spaced from the first end;

a first pin projecting past the second end of the supply spindle generally parallel to the first rotation axis;

a take-up spindle rotatably mounted to the handle portion at the second end region for rotation about a second rotation axis, the take-up spindle having a first end adjacent the handle portion and a second end spaced from the first end thereof; and

a second pin projecting past the second end of the take-up spindle generally parallel to the second rotation axis, and, when viewed in an end plan view, the second pin has a geometry that is different than a geometry of the first pin.

12. (Original) The carrier of claim 11, wherein, when viewed in an end plan view, the second pin has a maximum dimension that is less than a maximum dimension of the first pin.

13. (Original) The carrier of claim 12, wherein, when viewed in an end plan view, the area of the second pin is less than the area of the first pin.

14. (Original) The carrier of claim 11, further comprising a handle connected to the handle portion intermediate the end regions, and the handle comprises an upwardly curved upper surface.

Claims 15-22 (canceled)

23. (New) A combination of a supply item and a carrier for the supply item for use in data bearing identification or financial document production equipment, the combination comprising:

- i) a carrier having:
 - a) a handle portion having first and second opposite end regions;
 - b) a supply spindle rotatably mounted to the handle portion at the first end region for rotation about a first rotation axis, the supply spindle having a first end adjacent the handle portion and a second end spaced from the first end;
 - c) a first pin projecting past the second end of the supply spindle generally parallel to the first rotation axis;
 - d) a take-up spindle rotatably mounted to the handle portion at the second end region for rotation about a second rotation axis, the take-up spindle having a first end adjacent the handle portion and a second end spaced from the first end thereof; and
 - e) a second pin projecting past the second end of the take-up spindle generally parallel to the second rotation axis, and, when viewed in

an end plan view, the second pin has a geometry that is different than a geometry of the first pin.

- ii) a supply item having:
 - a) a supply cylinder configured for disposition on the supply spindle of the carrier, the supply cylinder having first and second ends, the first end defining an opening having a first geometry that permits passage of the first pin;
 - b) a take-up cylinder configured for disposition on the take-up spindle of the carrier, the take-up cylinder having first and second ends, the first end of the take-up cylinder defining an opening having a second geometry that permits passage of the second pin, and the second geometry is different than the first geometry; and
 - c) a web material wound onto the supply cylinder, the web material including a take-up end that is attachable to the take-up cylinder.

24. (New) The combination of claim 23, wherein the opening in the first end of the supply cylinder defines a first area, and the opening in the first end of the take-up cylinder defines a second area, and the second area is less than the first area.

25. (New) The combination of claim 23, wherein the web material comprises a print ribbon.

26. (New) The combination of claim 23, wherein the web material comprises one of cleaning ribbon, holographic overlay, and laminate material.

27. (New) The combination of claim 24, wherein the first end of the take-up cylinder is closed by a wall, and the second geometry is defined in the wall.

28. (New) The combination of claim 27, wherein the wall comprises a cap that is attached to the take-up cylinder at the first end thereof.

29. (New) The combination of claim 24, wherein the first end of the supply cylinder is closed by a wall, and the first geometry is defined in the wall.

30. (New) The combination of claim 29, wherein the wall comprises a cap that is attached to the supply cylinder at the first end thereof.